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103. Edgewood Avenue

Toronto. 29. VIII. 1914.

Principal Falconer

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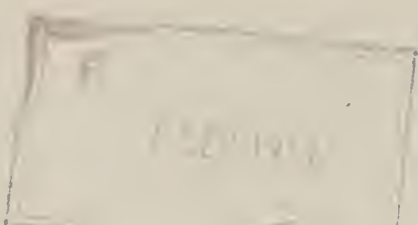
I hear that there are two or three, each which have been filed on the university staff in French. If there is any prospect of my name being favourably considered in this connection - if it were only for temporary appointment - I should be glad to have it submitted. Perhaps my possession of the Paris Doctorate and fluency in French would commend me for any appointment. I should be very glad if you could advise me about this.

I hope you have enjoyed your European tour in spite of all the unsettlement of the war.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

W. Harvey-Jellie.



103. Edgewood Avenue.

Toronto. Sept. 3rd. 1914.

The Registrar
University of Toronto.

Dear Sir

I have already written to the Principal offering my services in the event of a vacancy arising in the Professorial staff, in French - believing that my Doctorate of the University of Paris would prove sufficient credentials for such a post.

But I am informed that there may probably be a vacancy in the staff for the teaching of Hebrew & Semitic Languages. I should be glad if my services were welcome for a temporary appointment in this branch. I have specialised in Hebrew & Syriac throughout my entire theological course & in the London University B.D. I have also done considerable original work in Hebrew - Old Testament, for my published works on "Chronicles" & on "Midrashon Literature".

If my name is submitted in this respect I will gladly afford further evidence of my capabilities & qualifications - I enclose a few printed testimonials.

Believe me

Yours very faithfully

W. Harvey-Jellicoe

M.A., B.D., D.D. (Hon.)



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Dear Dr. Harvie-Jellie:

On my return home I find your letter applying for a position in the Department of French. I do not know what steps we will take to fill the position, but I should advise you to see Professor Sauair, the head of the department of French.

Yours sincerely,

President.

December 3rd, 1914

Rev. Dr. Harvie-Jellie,

103 Ridgewood Avenue,

Toronto.

My dear Dr. Harvie-Jellie:

On my return from the West I find your letter awaiting me. At present we have no vacancies whatever in the staff, and I do not think it at all probable that for the coming winter there will be any position to be filled in the departments that you mention.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

103. Edgewood Avenue.
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Feb. 23rd. 1915

Dear Principal Falconer

I quite intended to call & see you, but I hesitate to trespass too much on your time.

I have written to Prof. Alexander as to the vacancy which, I am informed, has arisen rather suddenly on the staff in English. I do not know whether this is premature; but I shall value any word of yours that might further my application.

I have failed to secure any definite reply as to my admission to study for the doctorate; I am still awaiting answers to my last letter on the subject. I fear the matter seems hopeless. It is almost twelve months since my application was made & I could have devoted the year to study at the University. There is a distinct possibility of my leaving Toronto in the early summer, in which case I shall have to abandon my idea of proceeding to the doctorate, with this last year behind me. But I suppose these delays are inherent in things academic.

Believe me

Yours very faithfully

W. Harvey-Jellis.

February 24th, 1913

Rev. M. Parvie-Jellie,

Toronto.

Dear Mr. Parvie-Jellie:

I have spoken to the Registrar about the delay in answering your petition for information as to the terms on which you might be admitted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at this University. I am sorry that there has been delay, but I think you will hear from the Registrar immediately. I doubt, however, that what he tells me that it would have been possible for you to use this winter as part of the time required to fulfill the conditions, as I understand the University requires full-time attendance.

We have of course not yet begun to think of what we will do in the way of filling the vacancy caused by the untimely death of Professor Stevenson. He was a man of great distinction both as a scholar and as a teacher and he has left a vacuum which will be extremely difficult for us to fill. I will mention to Professor Alexander that you asked me to speak to him concerning you as a possible candidate for the position.

Yours sincerely,

President.

103. Edgewood Avenue.

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March 20. 1916

President-Falconer

University of Toronto

Dear President-Falconer

I shall be very glad if you will allow my name to be formally submitted through you for appointment to the vacancy on the professorial staff in English. I believe my qualifications and my experience are such as should commend me for the vacant post; and I am able to give ample references to those who know my academic attainments & my teaching powers.

In 1892 I graduated in Arts at London University in the first class, with honours in "English". From that time I continued my studies uninterruptedly until I took the London M.A. in "English" in 1899. Although I had meantime passed through the English Presbyterian College (holding the first place from start to finish and carrying off the chief bursary annually) I had allowed nothing to break into the literary studies which I was pursuing privately with Prof. A. J. Wyatt of Cambridge. And these studies resulted in my name being placed first on the M.A. list of the year.

This degree, as you know, covers a complete general knowledge of the subject, including Early English, Middle English & the entire literature. It also necessitated my specialising in two periods of literature - those which I selected being "The Restoration Period" and "From 1798 to 1830". And in addition to these I was examined in the interrelation between English & French literature.

After securing my M.A. I continued my studies in these special periods, reading constantly in the Bodleian & British Museum libraries. My intention was to offer myself for the London "D. Lit." But my researches led to correspondence with Prof. A. Beljame of Paris and, on his strong recommendation, I entered the University of Paris & studied under Prof. Beljame & Prof. Thomas. In the same year, I received the degree of Docteur en Lettres with special mention in 1905. I am sending you a copy of my French thesis for the doctorate. For this degree I had mastered the subject of the relation between English & French literature - and I may add that an article of mine on this subject is about to appear in the "Fortnightly". I have made special studies, since 1905, on Dryden & on eighteenth century literature. And it was, perhaps, some acknowledgment of my attainments that I was appointed examiner in "English" at London University from 1908 to 1914, along with Prof. Davis & Prof. Masson.

My experience as a Teacher has, I think,

been ample. For six years, prior to my theological course, I acted as Classic & English master in the High Schools of Lancaster & Windermere, where I prepared the matriculation pupils. And during the past eight years I have lectured at the Chatterton Colleges (under Canon Waterfield and Principal Flecker) & I have prepared their candidates for Cambridge scholarships. Amongst many testimonials, I have one in which Dr. Flecker writes: - "I can truly say that I have met few teachers of his special subjects who have inspired their pupils with such a satisfactory combination of accurate knowledge and intelligent appreciation of the problems brought before them. . . . Dr. Harvey-Jellie has a most attractive personality."

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I have suggested your name as a possible candidate. If you
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Rev. J. Harvey-Jolliffe,
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Dear Mr. Harvey-Jolliffe:

I am returning to you your thesis on
"Les Sources du Traité Américain" which I handed to Professor
Alexander.

Yours sincerely,

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